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Your Favorite Song

NAO
COME BOY
Ping

Get ready and-
SIGH
Do, re, mi, fa, so, la, ti, do
HAVE YOU ALSO COME TODAY TO FIX THE PIANO?
IT'S ATSUHOU!!
CROWD
ATSUHOU!!
AH!

HAVE YOU ALREADY FINISHED ALL YOUR APPOINTMENTS FOR TODAY?
COME TO MY HOUSE TOO ATSUROU!
ONLY IF YOUR PIANO IS BROKEN!
YEP! BECAUSE THAT'S MY JOB, YOU KNOW.

I want to try it!
Whoa, I'm jealous!
THAT PIANO IS AN ANTIQUE, ISN'T IT?

YOU'RE VERY KNOWLEDGE-ABLE.

YOUR GRANDPA TOLD ME
HE SAID THAT HIS PRIDE WAS
THE SOUND OF BENIYA-SAN'S PIANO CAME ALIVE

WHEN TALKING WITH BENIYA-SAN...
HE SAID OVER THE
THAT HIS PIANO'S PITCH WAS BAD

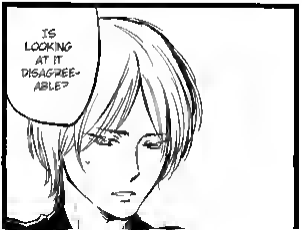
I was often told of that pride as well. He was a piano tuner.
Grandpa passed away five years ago but—
FOR ME TOO
TAKING OVER THE BUSINESS
WAS A RELATIVE PRIDE
VROOM
SORRY
THIS MUST SEEM SUDDEN

WELL,
I'LL GO AND TAKE A LOOK.
LONG TIME, NO SEE.
OH, YES..
THANKS FOR COMING.

clunk
NOT A SPECK OF DUST
IT'S VERY CLEAN

WHAT IS IT?

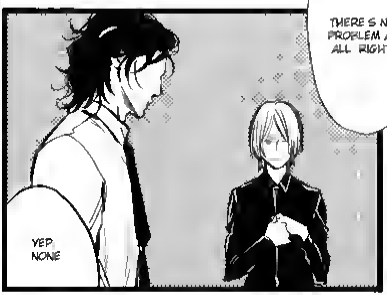
NO

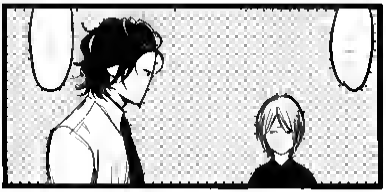

IS LOOKING AT IT DISAGREE-ABLE?

IT ISN'T THAT, BUT...
The original owner, the old man, died
And now the piano is owned by his grandson
Nao Beniya...
Ping
Ping
Please wait about an hour and a half
Ping
Ping
Ping
Ping
His stare is unnerving
I CAN'T IMAGINE HIM BEING INTERESTED IN PIANO
stare

WELL, IT SEEMS LIKE NOTHING IS WRONG AFTER ALL.
OKAY.
surprise
NO WAY
THERE SHOULD BE
Huh?
um

UM


THERE'S NO PROBLEM AT ALL, RIGHT?
YEP. NONE



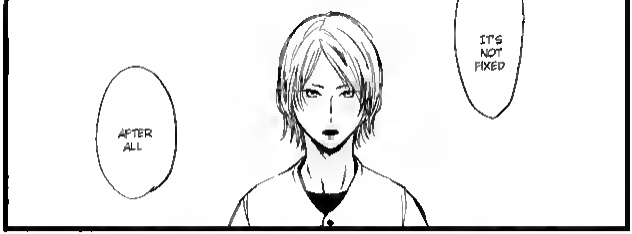
CAN YOU PLAY PIANO?
PIANO TUNER-SAN
WELL, SOME-WHAT.
I'm hopeless at it but...

I'M NERVOUS
I always
I've never thought of playing something
just look at the sound
Ah...
Ping
"This piano will teach you my favorite song."
"Ataru"
OH, IT'S THAT OLD GUY'S FACE.

the old man taught me.
It has good sound.
the only song
This is -
bam
eh?
Sweet

...
BENNY-SAN?
P-
PLEASE LEAVE
WHAT?
GO AWAY, I SAID!
WHY?
BECAUSE YOU'VE DONE ENOUGH!
What the--!?
What happened!?
I can't believe someone who owns such a good picture...
could be such a bastard!
GRRR
GRRRR

I DON'T GET IT!
To begin with, we until now
I haven't touched that guy
BAM
The next day
It's impossible to suggest that our touching was strange or something now, after so long...
stomp
stomp
A-
ATSUROU!
WHOA, WAIT! WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF CLASS!
BE QUIET!
How annoying!
Atsurou!
Atsurou!
slide
TO THAT JERK BENIYA'S!
Smiling Piano Shop
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?


IT'S NOT FIXED
AFTER ALL

YEAH YEAH

DO YOU LIKE BLACK TEA?

PIANO TUNER-SAN.
steam

open

loosen

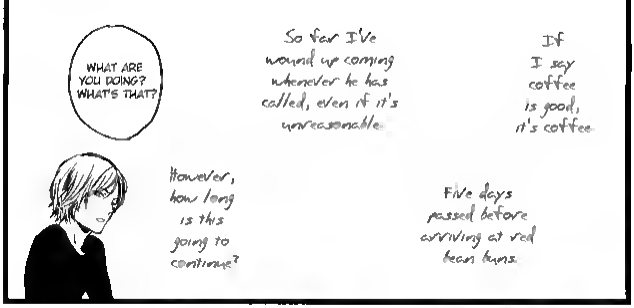
lift

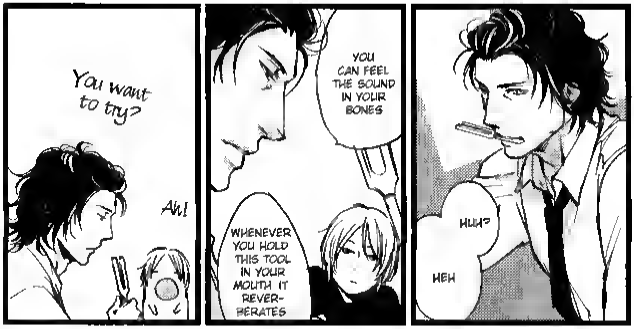
WELL, THEN, I'LL DRINK IT.
WHA-WHAT THE HELL!?
OH...
NO.
I'M A COFFEE PERSON.

Vroom
SORRY FOR THE INTRUSION.
HELLO AGAIN
Screech

Clink
HAVE THIS.
HERE.

COFFEE
The next day and the day after that I went to Benjya's place
My office phone typically rang around 3pm
And even though I had training appointments at other places
He didn't seem to take into account my circumstances
SIGH...
It's okay if you are late
About two weeks passed
WHAT IS ALL THIS?


WHAT ARE YOU DOING? WHAT'S THAT?
So far I've wound up coming whenever he has called, even if it's unreasonable.
If I say coffee is good, it's coffee.
However, how long is this going to continue?
Five days passed before arriving at red bean buns.

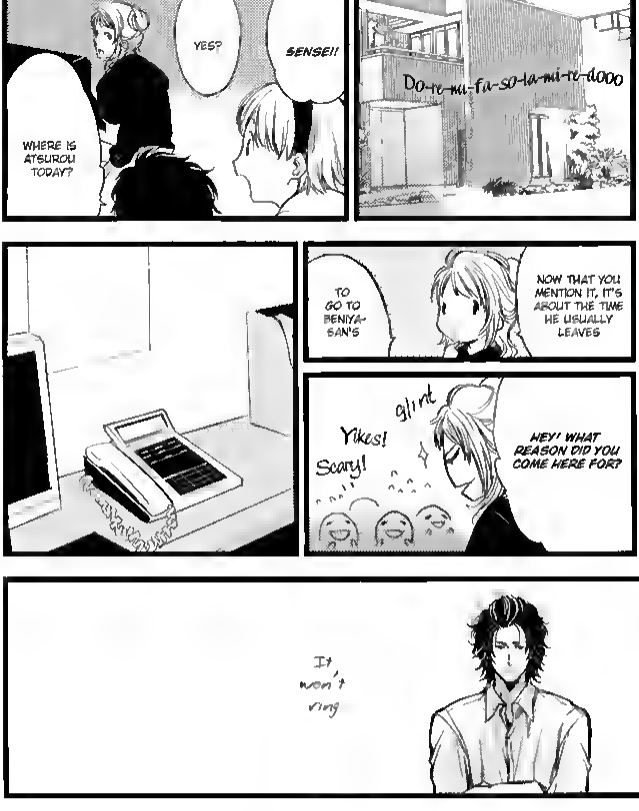

You want to try?
Ah!
YOU CAN FEEL THE SOUND IN YOUR BONES
WHENEVER YOU HOLD THIS TOOL IN YOUR MOUTH IT REVER-BERATES
HUH?
HEH

IT'S LIKE BEETHOVEN
EVEN THOUGH HE WAS DEAF
HE COULD MAKE MUSIC.
AH
THERE'S NO WAY I HAVE ABSOLUTE PITCH
THEREFORE THIS IS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL
HUH

AH
hesitate
YOUR HEAD ALSO SEEMS LIKE HIS
IT'S OKAY, YOU CAN TOUCH
NO
IT'S OKAY
What a nervous guy.
Which reminds me, what does he normally do? At any rate, I can't imagine him making any contributions to society-

He seems otherworldly
evasive
ALWAYS WITH THAT SAD LOOK, IN THAT BIG HOUSE
IS HE LONELY?
NOT THAT I CARE!
When I first met him, I thought he was just some high school student.
Nao Bemiya
pause

If that happened...
If he continued
to extend his hand and touch my hair
screech
PIANO TUNER-SAN
clunk
WHAT'S GOING ON?
Wha-
Get ready and...
No matter how you look at it, this isn't good


WHERE IS ATSUROU TODAY?
YES?
SENSEI!
Do-re-mi-fa-so-la-mi-re-doo
TO GO TO BENIYA-SAN'S
NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, IT'S ABOUT THE TIME HE USUALLY LEAVES
Yikes!
Scary!
glint
HEY! WHAT REASON DID YOU COME HERE FOR?
It won't ring
Therefore
More than it not being fixed, it wasn't perfect to begin with
That piano hasn't been fixed
There's no reason it shouldn't ring

SLAM
It's not like my phone should've rung today too
HEY ATSUROU-KUN
HEADING TO THE STORE?
VROOOOM

YOU STILL CAME

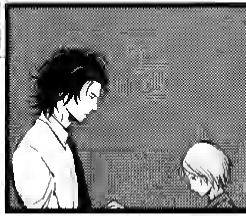
SINCE MY PHONE DIDN'T RING TODAY, I WAS WORRIED..
AH.

PIANO TUNER-SAN,
WHY-
NO... I...

T-
THAT'S BECAUSE MY PHONE'S BEEN CUT OFF...
EVEN THOUGH THAT HAPPENED

I DIDN'T PREPARE ANYTHING FOR YOU.

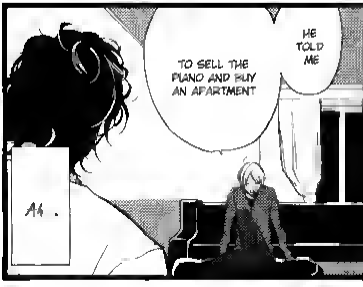
MAY I COME IN?
HUH?
BUT TODAY



BY THE WAY
WHY WAS YOUR PHONE CUT OFF?
THAT'S OKAY
I DON'T MIND
WHEN GRAND-FATHER...
SUMIO BENIYA DIED-
MY GRAND-FATHER LEFT THIS HOUSE
TO MY BROTHER AND THE PIANO TO ME
BUT BECAUSE OF TAXES, ALL THE MONEY WAS TAKEN
I HAVE AN OLDER BROTHER.
Somehow, is that okay?
SINCE WE DON'T HAVE PARENTS, THE WILL SAID THAT THE FORTUNE GOES TO US GRAND-CHILDREN.
US?
YES.

MY BROTHER IS WORKING OVERSEAS AND SENDS ME MONEY FOR TUITION
HE'S A GREAT PERSON BUT
RECENTLY HIS BUSINESS FAILED... AND
HE SAYS HE WANTS TO SELL THIS HOUSE

I wonder if that's why I was called.
Because of his regret in the face of selling it off.


HE TOLD ME
TO SELL THE PIANO AND BUY AN APARTMENT
Ah.

He touched this piano for the first time...

HEY
WHY

I LIKED THE TUNES MY GRAND-FATHER ALWAYS LET ME LISTEN TO ON THIS PIANO

DID YOU PLAY THAT TUNE, PIANO TUNER-SAN?
IF ONLY YOU HAD NOT PLAYED THAT SONG ON THE FIRST DAY.
I...
...WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PART WITH THIS PIANO WITHOUT BITTERNESS
NAO

I ALSO HAVE A DEAD GRANDFATHER...
HE ALSO HAD A WILL
ATSUROU
Atsurou...
You saw Beniya-san's piano.
While turning it, you'll think that something is strange with it but,
It's okay just like that.
Because I made a promise to Beniya-san...
WELL
I COULDN'T GUESS HIS INTENT THOUGH
THIS PIANO...
HAS A KEY THAT WON'T PLAY A SOUND RIGHT?

IF THE SOUND WON'T COME OUT...
WAIT. THINK ABOUT IT!
YOU KNEW ALL ALONG AND WEREN'T GOING TO FIX IT!
OF COURSE
clatter
...IT'S PROBABLY SOMETHING THAT CAN'T BE SOLD.
I HAVE A PROPOSAL
NAO
THAT I CAN'T.
THEN YOU MEAN TO SAY DISPOSE OF IT!?
THEN

COME
LIVE WITH ME?
THERE'S NOT MUCH SPACE,
BUT YOUR BED,

WELL, HOW LONG DID YOU STAND IN FRONT OF THE HOUSE,
WAITING FOR ME?
WHY...?
WHY THIS?
AND PIANO WOULD FIT

WHAT DID YOU THINK?
I DON'T KNOW
I...
HUH?
FROM THE START EVEN THOUGH YOU DIDN'T KNOW WHY I WAS COMING YOU STOOD OUTSIDE?
AH...
WHEN I CAME...
MAY I TOUCH YOU?
YES

There are various difficult prospects in store.
This originated with our deceased grandfathers' schemes
Hahahaha
SO...
Those bastards set this up.
IT'S CRAMPED, AFTER ALL.
SORRY...
BUT
Just like that
YES?
MY NAME IS ATSUROU ENJI.
AH
ATSUROU-SAN
I CAN'T LEAVE
SOMEONE LIKE YOU ALONE
WAIT...
PIANO TUNER-SAN...

Your favorite song/The end

ah

I'M HOME!
Soon after...
W-
WEL-COME BACK!
flip-flop
flip-flop
SAYING I'M HOME
AND ALL THAT
It's embarrassing!

WELL,
I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IT
AH—
I TRIED
TO MAKE DINNER
smile

REALLY?
Shuffle
Shuffle
OH
IT LOOKS GOOD!
rub
HERE.
HAVE A DRINK.
clink
THANKS.

swish tap
glug
WELL YOU WORKED REALLY HARD TODAY
THIS IS RAD ISN'T IT?
Pour
Pour
Pour
Pour
THANK Y...
AH... OKAY
EH?
YOU TAKE A BATH, TOO
...
clatter

I'M MORE NERVOUS THAN I THOUGHT I'D BE
I wonder if I'm annoying of course, I am!
What should I do if he hates me?
What the heck will happen and where?
We've kissed...
Falling in love is...
I'm going to die.
bgm
steam
BED
I- I'LL TAKE THE SOFA
OR THE FLOOR...
I DON'T HAVE A SOFA!
DON'T MESS AROUND!

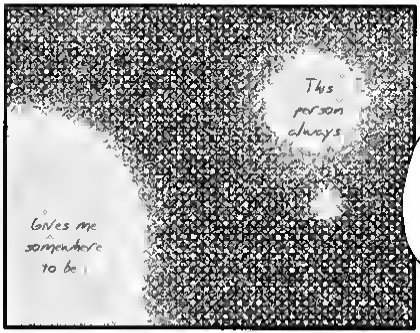
AM I REALLY THAT SCARY?
N-NO
YOU'RE NOT
T-THE BED
WON'T IT BE CRAMPED...?

NO.
IT WON'T
fling
OOF!

BE OBEDIENT AND SLEEP.
AND NOTHING WILL CHANGE.
UH...
OKAY...

rustle

EH?
IF IT'S JUST A LITTLE BIT
I WONDER IF IT'S OKAY
—
SQUIRM
A-
ATSUROU-SAN!
SHH—
SLEEP OBEDIENTLY
O—
OKAY


This person always
gives me somewhere to be

I'M TURNING OUT THE LIGHT
MY ANXIETY
SEEMS TO BE DISSOLVING

squeeze

I LIKE HIM.
teary

rustle

O'ediently
rustle
O'ediently
Nuo
kiss
WE'RE DOING A REALLY DIRTY THING
PROB-ABLY
haa
haa
Where I've been touched is hot—
My chest
feels painful?

What!?
What!
haa
OBEDIENTLY
SLEEP
haa
haa
chirp
chirp
DIDN'T YOU SAY ANYTHING?
WHY...
STOP.
NO
IT'S MY FAULT.
I'M SORRY
Sorry
I COULDN'T HELP BUT GET HARD!
It's embarrassing!
YOU DID IT SO WELL
IT'S BECAUSE YOU SAID TO BE OBEDIENT

Please look forward to Haruka-sensei's next work!
WHENEVER YOU APOLOGIZE IT MAKES ME WANT TO DIE SO STOP
I...
WHEN-EVER
YOU APOLOGIZE TO ME I'M MOVED TO TEARS

YOU'RE ANNOY-ING
YOU HAVE A STRANGE HEAD
AND WILL YOU BE GOING TO WORK?
YEAH YEAH
OKAY
THAT SET-TLES IT
YEAH...
HUH

The End

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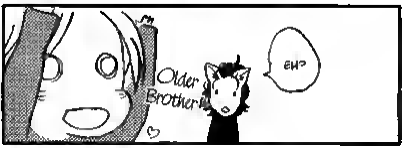
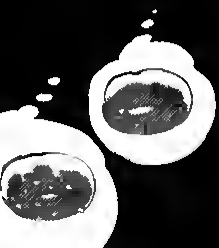


For now, I'll just take out the tea.



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